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1921 JUNIOR PROM MAMMOTH EVENT

ALL CROWDS JOIN IN MAKING PROM MOST BRILLIANT IN YEARS

Gymnasium, Decorated Under Direction and Idea of William Griffith, is Galaxy of Beauty and Color—Damon of Rochester Furnishes Music.

Swaying to the entrancing strains of Damon's melody makers, the class of 1921 and its guests promenaded away last night to the small hours of this morning. Promptly at 9:30 the opening fox-trot burst forth and the biggest event of the college year was under way. The gymnasium floor became a swirling sea of color, laughter and happiness. With the worries of the past week of examinations well in the background, with troubles completely forgotten and with lips parted in smiles for the one and only, each and every succumbed to the spell of this wonderland of music and bubbles. As the last notes of the first dance died away, the sea became divided into several cross-currents as the couples made their ways to the various booths. The first of the 38 was gone, but was not to be forgotten. Engraved deep in the minds and hearts of all present, it will remain for time to come as a pleasant and happy memory.

Gymnasium Veritable Dreamland

Under the artful hand of Fraser of Utica, the gymnasium had been transformed into a veritable dreamland. Balloons of many colors were suspended from the ceiling and were grouped so close to one another that they formed a wondrous roof of bright, shining spheres. Around the sides were arranged the booths of the various fraternities. From the first to the last, each one exhibited great care in arrangement and exquisite taste in decoration. The booths were separated from the dancing space by a trellis and fence-work pattern, abundantly adorned with flowers and vines. At the south end of the gymnasium, the famous orchestra of Damon was situated, surrounded by ferns and plants and charmed listeners.

About two o'clock refreshments were served in the various booths. Once more the handiwork of Mrs. King was put to the test and was in no way found wanting. Throughout the entire evening the punch bowls of the several booths were kept filled with a delightfully refreshing beverage.

"Carissima" in Conclusion

Following the refreshments the program was resumed and continued until about six o'clock this morning. It was found impossible to complete the program on account of the lack of time but there were not a few who were ready to stop dancing when the orchestra finally played its last number. Just before leaving the floor, the fellows grouped themselves in a circle and sang "Carissima." For those who had never heard the Alma Mater rendered as Hamilton men render it, it was indeed an impressive ceremony. Many who had listened to this wonderful old song before stood in reverence and admiration of the spirit shown.

The Programs and the Committee

The dance programs were a neat work in leather, nattily bound in gray and stamped with the Hamilton seal. The committee who worked hard to make this year's Prom the big success that it was are as follows: William Niver Wynkoop, Chairman, Paul Talbot Coonradt, G. Paul Whitbeck, Arthur Bailey Clark, William Morrison Griffith, Samuel Raymond Moffat, Joseph Ward Maier, William Albert Wettel, and Allen Eaton Throop.

INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE

Hamilton to Meet Union and Lafayette March 26 and Rutgers and Wesleyan March 29.

Final arrangements for intercollegiate debating have just been completed. Hamilton will this year participate in two triangular competitions, one with Union and Lafayette on March 26th, and another with Rutgers and Wesleyan on March 29th.

The same subject has been chosen for both debates, viz: "Resolved, that labor through representatives of its own choice should share in the management of corporate industry." This may not be the final wording of the proposition, but it indicates the substance of the question that will be discussed.

At the recent debate trials eighteen men were selected by the Council as members of the debating squad. After these men have had an opportunity to familiarize themselves somewhat with the intercollegiate subject, final trials will be held to determine the principals of the various teams and the alternates. In these trial debates, which will be held at separate times, there will be both advance and rebuttal speeches, just as in classroom debates. The dates for the final trials will be announced shortly after the opening of the new term.

It should be explained that the announcement made earlier in **Life** that Amherst would be one of Hamilton's opponents this year was accurate when made. Amherst had agreed to a triangular debate with Union and Hamilton, but because Amherst found it impossible to make definite arrangements in time, Hamilton and Union thought best to cancel the agreement.

ANNOUNCE BASEBALL SCHEDULE FOR 1920

Syracuse, Union, Colgate, and Rochester Again Appear on List of Opponents.

PRACTICE TO START MARCH 1

1920 BASEBALL SCHEDULE

May 1—Rochester at Rochester.
5—Syracuse at Clinton.
8—St. Lawrence at Clinton.
12—Syracuse at Syracuse.
15—Union at Clinton.
19—Colgate at Clinton.
22—Rochester at Clinton.
26—Colgate at Hamilton.
29—R. P. I. at Troy.
31—Union at Schenectady.

The baseball schedule for 1920 has been completed and will comprise ten games. There will be five home games, and five will be played out of town. Two games will be played with Union, Rochester, Colgate, and Syracuse, while St. Lawrence and R. P. I. will be met but once.

The season will open on May 1, when the Buff and Blue journey to Rochester to cross bats with the U. of R. aggregation. Syracuse will appear at Clinton on May 5 for the first time in a number of years. Although games have been scheduled here with the Orange for the past two seasons, rain has interfered both times. On May 8, St. Lawrence will oppose Hamilton on Steuben Field for the first time in two seasons. Syracuse will be met in a return game on the 12th, and the following Wednesday Hamilton will clash with her old rival, Union. The following week Rochester and Colgate will play here, on the 26th, the Buff and Blue will invade the Maroon camp for a return game. The last two games will be played at Troy and Schenectady. The team will meet R. P. I. on the 29th, stay over until Monday and end the season with Union on Decoration Day.

Baseball practice will commence in the cage after the close of the basket ball season on February 28th. At the present time the prospects for a winning nine are very bright. Coach Ziehl will have eight men of last year's team back in the game, Captain Fursman being the only man lost.

OPENING CONCERT MUSICAL TRIUMPH

First Appearance of Glee and Instrumental Clubs Makes Big Hit With Prom. Guests.

PROMISES BIG SEASON

The Musical Clubs made their first public appearance of the season in the annual Prom Concert in Commons this afternoon and were very well received. The presentation was excellent and the bursts of applause from the audience after each number showed appeciation of the effort put forth by the entertainers. With the clubs so well started, the College may look forward to one of the most successful seasons in years.

All Numbers Good

The way in which the Glee and Instrumental Clubs rendered their selections was testimony of the able leadership of Leaders Peters and Turner, who have worked hard and long in getting the clubs into shape. The Instrumental Club's playing of the popular "I Want a Daddy" made a big hit, while "Honey Town" was perhaps the Glee Club's best song. But it would be unfair to choose any one number as best; they were all good.

The Glee Quartette were "there" as usual and were encored so often that it was all the breathless men could do to end up with the old "Hambone", declaring that they "ain't gonna sing any more."

Something novel was offered by "The Diminished Seven," in other words "Bill" Calkins, "Pops" Martin, and "Ball" Macey, who tortured their banjos—and the audience—and sang some popular hits in a formerly unheard-of way. The novelty "got across" well and "The Diminished Seven" promise to be a valuable addition to the clubs.

It is needless to say much about the solos. "Jimmie" Peters sang his songs in a way no one could resist. "Ted" Turner's rendition of Tartini's "Adagio Cantabile" gave a classical touch to the program. This was added to by "Bob" Turner's piano solo, an excellent playing of Mendelsohn's "Scharzo."

The Light Artillery, composed of "Bill" Pritchett and "Bob" Fiske, minus Schwarz, shot some rapir-fire jazz at the audience that made everyone wiggle their feet. Peters, Paton and Pritchett performed perfectly in their "Petite Vaudeville" offering, something entirely new and very snappy. Too much cannot be said about "Zip" Griffith! Good? Funny? Why, of course, "Zip" always

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HAMILTON DELEGATES REPORT ON CONVENTION

Speakers of Note Talk to International Student Valunteer Convention

ASSEMBLY IN DES MOINES

Hamilton's delegates, Johnson, '20, and Van Kennan, '21, to the Eighth International Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Misions, held in Des Moines, Ia., during the Christmas holidays, report many events of unusual interest.

The Convention, held December 31, 1919 to January 4, 1920, was the largest gathering of repesentative college students ever held, there being more than eight thousand present from over a thousand institutions of the United States, Canada, and foreign countries. Its purpose was the stimulation of interest in these institutions of missionary enterprise and particularly the gaining of volunteers to give their lives in missionary work.

Prominent Speakers

The delegates assembled daily for a morning session, promptly at nine-fifteen, in the huge Colliseum, of which Des Moines is justly proud, and were addressed by the leading workers in the mission fields Among those who were influential in the gathering and who delivered messages to the assembly were: John R. Mott, President of the National Y. M. C. A., Dr. Karl Fries, Chairman of the World's Student Christian Federation, Bishop F. J. McConnell, former president of De Pauw University, who now has supervision of the Methodist missions in Mexico; Robert E. Speer, Secretary of the Board of Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

During the entire course of the Convention an exhibit was open in the Auditorium where the delegates could view it, pictures, literature and materials, from the many fields of missionary endeavor. Of especial interest to Hamilton men was the exhibit from Yale in China, as it contained a picture of Paul M. Hamlin, our educational representative, together with a notice that Hamilton was cooperating with Yale in this great enterprise.

On Saturday evening pledges were taken up for the furtherance of the work and over $84,000 was subscribed to be used for the Student Volunteer Movement during the coming four years.

Besides the two delegates who went from the College, Hamilton was represented by Carmer, '14, who was faculty delegate from the University of Rochester, and Watson, ex-'20, a delegate from Yale.

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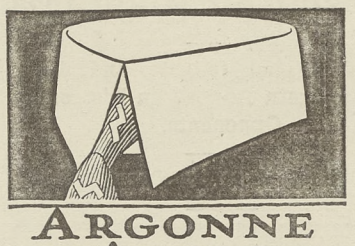
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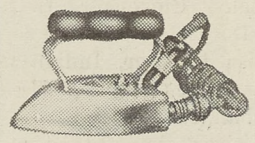

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Welcome, Prom Guests

Writing an editorial of welcome to the Prom girls is like talking to the chaperones, you don't know what to say, but you have to say something. Often things go well, and both the chaperone and the conscieitious brother find the matter of duty converted into a pleasant visit. Let us hope this editorial will carry the same effect.

The facts are, we are glad to see you. At least, most of us are. Some of the stags, who have to move their clothes up the Hill, sleep three in a single bed, and eat at Bogan's, are not especially joyous during the three days. But those of us who have enjoyed your company since Monday noon are glad you are here, and the troubles of moving and the discomfort of our quarters are forgotten when we get the first whiff of the "Mary Garden."

Tomorrow the curtain drops and the dress suits will be surrounded by moth balls, but the memory of Damon's music, the feminine guests, and the "boners" pulled by the brothers will be food for conversation until the snow slides off from Sam Kirkland's hill. Tomorrow the chapel bell brings us back to the sad realities of a student's life, and the only fun we will have is hearing Supe's jokes, reading "Spice o' Life," and talking about Prom.

We hope that you have had a good time, and will carry away a good impression of the college. We hope that **Life** may welcome you here often.

FAIR VISITORS INVADE COLLEGE

All Crowds Join in Festive Proceedings in Celebrating Big 1921 Junior Prom.

COME FROM FAR AND WIDE

The fraternities at Hamilton will entertain the following guests during Junior Week, February 2, 3, and 4:

Sigma Phi—Mrs. George Sicard, Utica, Mrs. A. P. Saunders, Clinton, chaperones; the Misses Katherine Barlow and Alice Hyatte, Oriskany; Martha Dibert and Cora McClay, Pittsburg, Pa.; Marguerite Bischoff, Marjorie Hawkins, Isabel Saxon, New York City; Eloise Preston, Elmira; Margot Cochran, Brooklyn.

Alpha Delta Phi—Mrs. Reed Landis, New York City, and Mrs. J. W. Calder, Utica, chaperones; the Misses Sarah Briggs, New Rochelle; Ermine True, Utica; Marian Newell and Katherine Keenan, Binghamton; Elizabeth Gilbert, Little Falls; Marceline Kaiser, California; Virginia Austin, Chicago, Ill.; Gladys Knight, Marian Fraser, Troy; Elizabeth Van Campen, Elmira; Louise Hough, Lowville; Margaret Martin, Clinton.

Psi Upsilon—Mrs. Charles Barnard, Rome, Mrs. Delman Hawkins, Syracuse, and Mrs. Bernard Moore, Syracuse, chaperones; the Misses Louise Morris, Jean Watkins, Florence Blount, Marjorie Udell, Mary Gwynn, and the Misses Munroe, of Syracuse; Josephine Benedict, Violet Jackling, Katherine Vischer, and Eleanor McBride, Rochester; Valeda Whipple, Brockport; Beatrice Batty, Gertrude Greer, Anne Welch, and Mary Louise Cleveland, Utica; Catherine Wilcox, Brooklyn; Emily Wells, New York City; Thelma Evans, Rome; Wilhelmina Campbell, Montclair, N. J.; Julia Clark, Elmira; Katherine Higley, Norwich, and Mr. Avery Leonard of Albion.

Chi Psi—Mrs. Erastus Palmer, New York City, Mrs. D. W. Redmond, New York City, chaperones; the Misses Helen Odell, Tarrytown; Christine Gruggle, Freeport, L. I.; Catherine Norton, Brooklyn; Blanche Plummer, Auburn, Me.; Zelda Clevenger, Indianapolis, Ind.; Dora Husheimen, La Crosse, Wis.; Elsa Pantzer, Indianapolis, Ind.; Josephine Hilman, Albany; Helen Meehan, New York City; Hazel Young, Utica; Anna Louise Griffith, Indianapolis, Ind.; Edith Mahan, Roselle, N. J.; Margaret Wettengel, Rome.

Emerson Literary Society—Mrs. Irwin Hockridge, Mrs. F. M. Miller, Utica, and Mrs. Edward Fitch, Clinton, chaperones; the Misses Jane Evans, Elizabeth Rehm, Rosalie Zwahlen, Utica; Ruth Morton, Westfield, Eleanor Idzinga, Garden City, L. I., and Helen Niff, Buffalo.

Delta Kappa Epsilon—Mrs. Hutchings, Utica, Mrs. Douglas Ashley, Binghamton, chaperones; the Misses Esther Watrous, Clinton; Harriet Mc Cormack, Peoria, Ill.; Lois Cummings, Pittsburg, Pa.; Dorothy Welsch, Dorothy Dann, Elizabeth Griswold, and Ruth Race, Binghamton; Betty Mohn, Staten Island; Ethel LaMaire, Brooklyn; Virginia Parker, Utica; Alene MacDougal, Gloversville; Marjorie Coulthurst, Swampscott, Mass., Olive Ruby, Kenwood; Grace Trewett, Jamaica, L. I.

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—Rev. Charles F. Goss, D.D., '73, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. Goss are spending the winter in Daytona, Florida.

—William H. DeShon, '70, has been named by Mayor O'Connor of Utica, N. Y., as Republican Civil Service Commissioner.

—Richard S. Cookinham, '00, at present residing in Phoenix, Ariz., has received the appointment of City Engineer of Utica, N. Y.

—Homer W. Leeds, '95, has been appointed division storekeeper with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad. His headquarters is at Seligman, Arizona.

—Asa G. Benedict, '72, of New York City, has recently been appointed secretary to the class of '72, because of the death of Edward G. Love, the former secretary.

—Edwin B. Shields, '17, has been appointed foreman of one of the Carnegie Steel Mills located at Pittsburg, Pa.

OPENING CONCERT MUSICAL TRIUMPH

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is, and he surely got his laughs with his clever stuff today.

A very enjoyable program was fittingly brought to a close by a general singing of "Carissima," led by the Glee Club. The program follows:

PART ONE

1. (a) "We Come to Hang Our Banners," Dounce, '10.
   (b) "Fair Hamilton," Lewis, '90.
   Glee Club.
2. "I Want a Daddy,"
   Greenwich Village Follies.
   Instrumental Club.
3. Violin Solo, Selected.
   Mr. T. Turner.
4. The Diminished Seven.
   Messrs. Calkins, Martin, and Macey.
5. "Songs of the Vikings,"
   Eaton Fanning.
   Glee Club.
6. Solo (vocal), Selected.
   Mr. Peters.
7. Jazz a la Carte,
   Served by the Light Artillery.
   Messrs. Pritchett, and Fiske.

PART TWO.

8. "Dardanella," Bernard and Black.
   Instrumental Club.
9. Petite Vaudeville.
   Messrs. Peters, Paton, and Pritchett.
10. Piano Solo, Selected.
    Mr. R. Turner.
11. Specialty, Selected.
    Mr. Griffith.
12. "Honey Town" (Plantation Lullaby), S. F. Widner.
    Glee Club.
13. Glee Quartette.
    Messrs. Peters, Paton, Pope, and Burns.
14. "Carissima."

Spice o' Life

Weakley Pome

A "slimer" met a Prom girl,
They'd never met before;
He thought that he would show 'er
That he'd been to Proms galore.
He thought he'd better say something
To sort of break the ice;
But when he opened up to speak,
All she could hear was "s'nice."
He knew he ought to tell her
How very nice she looked,
But somehow things got twisted,
And instead he said "I'm rooked."
But soon he saw his blunder,
"Them eye, those nose," said he;
The girl just smiled and winked her eye,
"Cow, you mean?" said she.
"Come on, we'll find the punch-bowl,"
Was all that he could say;
The girlie smiled and said in fun,
"You're leading me astray."
They sat and watched the dancers,
"I'm cold," she said with grace;
"How about a little oven?"
And she promptly slapped his face.

Shimmie Sam sez: You'd be surprised to find how many twists and turns there are in the Hill if you take a girl down. Just tell her to hang on to you tight going around the curves.

Moore: "I'll bet my Prom girl couldn't stay mad at me very long."

Barry: "Why not?"

Moore: "Why, she makes up every day."

Sky says he thinks it is beneath the dignity of a senior ta appear in Spice.

We can't help it Sky; it's your own fault.

Walt: "How did your nose get that way, Charlie?"

Seaver: "Pullman sleeper."

Walt: "Accident?"

Seaver: "Berth mark."

They say that one of Murph's classes is going to make a sociology trip over to the Rome Asylum pretty soon. Wonder how many will come back?

Rocks: "Now, Mr. Sherman, can you tell me why this formation occurs here?"

Sherm: "Well, there used to be an ocean here, and it kept getting deeper."

Rocks: "Exactly, Mr. Sherman, but just the reverse was true."

Sherm: "That was what I meant."

Macey: "Have you got a cigarette, Sully?"

Perce: "No, but I've got prospects."

Macey: "What do you mean, prospects?"

Perce: "Here comes Hank Severin."

Schnitz: "Goethe was often called a moonlight poet."

Frank Fry: "He would be called a moonshine poet now."

Van Kennan: "How is it that your class hasn't any high honor men?"

Cochon: "They all flunked out last year."

Carpe Diem

This week I find it difficult to start "my colyum." Gently, gently I must prod lest the sharp point of my pen strike some tender spot too sacred for the vulgar gaze and ——.

Weather Forecast—Wet tonight with probable change to drier conditions tomorrow. (Note—Any information concerning amount, location, and probable duration of the wet season will be appreciated. This is in the interest of medicine only. Address Schwarz, Deke House. Ed.)

For a few golden hours at least Hamilton will not lack the feminine touch—a $75 touch.

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What the Gentlemen Will Wear—The gay season of 1920 has much in store for those gallant beaux who follow our beloved Sartorial Goddess. And it is fitting that we deck ourselves suitably for the many festivities and social functions which promise to be the delight of our smart set during the winter months.

Innovations are few. There is little to greet the connoiseur's eye or transport his soul. We can only advise and recommend one truly distinguishing and distinctive novelty. That is skates. Skates are old, almost prehistoric, it is true. But during this season, those who wear skates will indubitably find themselves the centers of attraction and popularity as never before. Skates should be worn full, loose and heavy as possible to insure the best effects.

Mustaches are epidemic. But as mustaches are according to taste, we hesitate to commit ourselves. Suffice it to say that when the mustache interferes with efficiency, by all means cut it off.

Hobnails at Prom are an evidence of poor appreciation of the aesthetics of Fashion.

Suspenders will be worn as usual.

What the Gentlewomen Will Wear—(See next issue. Our representative will make a personal investigation, so that you may be assured of the right dope.)

Advice to the Love-lorn—(Note—Our force is being augmented to better serve the anticipated rush after Prom.—Ed.)

Dear Sir:

During my four years in Hamilton, I have found it so very difficult to evade the female sex. I find this very trying. The many advances I have had to suffer, the bold glances and brazen affronts are not at all to my taste. I am naturally quiet and of a reticent nature and have been wont to frown upon the feminine sex. I hope you can appreciate my situation and assist me to remedy this awful state of affairs. Anonymous.

Dear Mr. Johnson, '20:

In answer to the above letter, I would suggest wearing a veil or disguising yourself as Bart Gorman. If neither of these plans work, Wy Cobb will be glad to change places with you. Seriously,

Be Fair Facts.

P. S.—And after this, Johnny, address me Miss.

With Apologies—We wonder what a twenty-year-old baby thinks about.

ROCHESTER TO PLAY ON HILL SATURDAY

Yellow Team Anxious to Wipe Out Previous Defeat at Hands of Captain Baumler's Team.

BUFF AND BLUE PRACTICE

Saturday evening at 7:30 the Buff and Blue basketball team will face the quintet representing the University of Rochester for the second time this season. Hamilton triumphed over the Yellow and Black at Rochester earlier in the year, but the score was close and the result doubtful up to the last few minutes of play. This was the first game for Rochester and the team has undoubtedly improved greatly since and is coming to Clinton bent on revenge.

Last week Wednesday "Ocky" Kuolt's team was defeated by Colgate at Hamilton to the tune of 40 to 19, while the Hamilton five made a much better showing against the same aggregation. But Rochester was handicapped by the smallness of the Colgate floor and will give the Hamilton team a hard fight on Saturday.

Team Practice in Clinton.

Practice was not held during examinations, but Coach Ziehl has been working the team since Monday in the Lyceum in Clinton in preparation for the contest Saturday. The defects disclosed in the previous games have been corrected and plays perfected. So that Captain Baumler hopes to send Rochester back defeated for the second time this year at the hands of the Buff and Blue five.

The two teams will probably line up much the same as they did in Rochester. Although the comparative scores point to the fact that Hamilton should come out of the conflict victorious, the Rochester team is coming with the intention of wiping out the previous defeat and the game will be far from an easy one for the Buff and Blue.

The lack of practice by the Hamilton team, coupled with the desire of Rochester to retrieve their defeat should make the game an interesting one. The probable line-up for Saturday night is as follows:

Hamilton.	Rochester.
Morrow, lf.	Stein (Capt.) lf.
Johnson, rf.	Green, rf.
Lawler, c.	Adams, c.
Cowan, lg.	Wagner, lg.
Baumler (Capt.) rg.	Merson, rg.

—Daniel C. Luce, '17, is now factory manager of the Illinois Vinegar Manufacturing Company, located at Nineteenth and Rockwood Sts., Chicago, Ill.

Weekly Bridge Problem—If the last two cards in a bridge hand are the ace and four of clubs, which should be discarded? The author of the best answer will receive a return ticket to Utica and the secret sign of the Montclair bartender. Address John K. Willard, '23.

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Chinese Political Conditions

For several years there has been a conflict between the Southern and Northern Forces in China with the Yangtze River as a general dividing line. In this the North has upheld a policy of a strong central government and the South a policy of local self-government. But that conflict which formerly stood for principles has at the present time degenerated into a mere contest for power between politicians. These politicians are called Military Governors, (tu Chun). Thus politics are decided by bayonets and soldiers, not by Legislatures and Executives. That leader who has a sufficient number of bayonets can demand and hold a position of power.

The Province of Hunan is one of the prizes in contention among the parties and leaders. It is a rich province from which a great deal of loot and squeeze in the form of taxation can be taken. Therefore the tide of battle moves backward and forward in Northern Hunan. In fact a campaign usually ends in this way —one general gets money enough to buy out the opposite side. They are paid a handsome squeeze and retire, first giving the soldiers two days in which to loot. Then the other army comes in and takes possession. Just now the northern part of Hunan is in the hands of representatives of the Peking Government.

Our military Governor here in Changsha, Chang Ching Yao, is at the present time finding it difficult to get funds to pay his soldiers. Without soldiers he cannot keep his office, but would be obliged to retreat precipitately. Recently he hit upon a new scheme for raising funds. He called into Changsha the leading gentry and landowners from this part of the Province and told them that, if they would plant the poppy from which opium would be extracted in forty per cent of their fields, they would make tremendous profits. The tax which he would place upon the growth of the poppy would more than meet his expenses. This tax was to be one dollar mexican an ounce.

It will be wondered how we can do anything to uplift these people in the midst of so much corruption and vice. The truth is that in this government military politics does not appeal to the mass of the people at all! On the other hand, they do not know how to stop it. There is a strong party of earnest patriotic people who want to establish a substantial, progressive government in China, but they do not know how to make headway against these unscrupulous military leaders. Our work in China is to train these young patriots, and put the tools of a good education in their hands so that they will have some chance of building the walls of the Republic safe and secure.

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CHARLATAN PLAY RECEIVED WELL

Large Audience Acclaims Work of Cast in the Performance of Their Winter Play, the ''Witching Hour.''

VAN NORDEN IS BIG IN PART

The Charlatans gave an almost flawless presentation of Augustus Thomas' four-act play, ''The Witching Hour,'' yesterday afternoon at the Park Theatre before an enthusiastic audience which filled the theatre to capacity. This is the most ambitious production which the Charlatans have attempted, and judging from yesterday's performance it must be said that they have been even more successful in this than in former presentations.

John Van Norden, '20, as Jack Brookfield, was inclined to be a trifle monotonous during the first part of the first act, but as soon as the plot began to run more swiftly, he became very natural. He played his emotional scenes with a finesse worthy of an established Broadway favorite. His work in the last act, when confronted by Hardmuth at the point of a loaded revolver, was especially commendable.

William W. Thorp, '20, who played opposite Van Norden in the role of Mrs. Whipple, did his best work in moments calling for the display of deep pathos. Thorp's performance was well finished and showed the result of his three years' experience with the organization.

Russell G. Miller, '22, played the part of Justice Prentice with wonderful dignity. Miller's intonation was especially good, and he handled a difficult character with much success.

The role of Clay Whipple was well played by Stafford P. Riggs, '23, who displayed an ability to contrast his emotional scenes with the lighter portions of his part.

The work of William W. Griffith, '21, must be especially commended. He succeeded in portraying the drunken Tom Denning, who is killed by Whipple, without falling into the mistake of overdoing his part.

Thomas B. Pope, '22, as Viola, Brookfield's niece, and Joseph A. Burns, '23, as Mrs. Campbell, her mother, proved exceedingly convincing in female roles.

The difficult part of Frank Hardmuth was especially well handled by Charles Langtry, '23. He portrayed a villianous character in a quite commendable manner, and at all times kept in his character. Langtry's enunciation and his easy stage presence were especially noticeable.

Archibald K. MacLachlan, '20, gave a good presentation of a young Kentucky sporting man in the role of Lew Ellinger. C. Graham Martin, '22, as Justice Henderson, a friend of Justice Prentice, was dignified and stayed well within his character.

Paul L. Ballot, '21, William H. Spice, '22, George C. Morehouse, Jr., '23, and Albert V. Morris, '23, played small parts and did them well.

1921 JUNIOR PROM COMMITTEE.

BUFF AND BLUE TRACK SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

Contains Same Opponents, With Exception of Renssalaer, on Last Year's List.

PROSPECTS APPEAR BRIGHT

1920 TRACK SCHEDULE

May 8—R. P. I. at Clinton.
15—Trinity at Hartford.
22—Rochester at Clinton.
31—Union at Schenectady.

The track schedule for the season of 1920 has been completed and is practically the same as last year with the exception of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute being placed on the schedule instead of Hobart. All of the teams, who were on the 1919 schedule and are again on the list, were defeated last year. Captain Reid's racers and weight throwers cleaned up every meet by a good score except the one with Hobart, who defeated the Buff and Blue by one point.

Under the direction of Coach Prettyman, the schedules of all the college activities are now reaching the standard where they were ten years ago. It is the policy of Coach Prettyman to get a league of colleges whose standards of clean athletics are as high as Hamilton's and whose standing in athletic work is as high at the same time. Having reached that standard, it will then only be necessary to keep the same teams on the schedules for each succeeding year unless some team is disqualified by some unsportsmanlike act or the standard drops too low for competition. Due to desire of some of the managers to take longer trips, the standard of some of the schedules had fallen but the coach has been able to get games and meets without difficulty with the teams he desired.

Of last year's men on the track team practically all are still in college, beside a number of men back who were on track teams of previous years. Included in this number are Parmalee in the mile, Riley in the high hurdles, and Van Orden in the mile and two mile.

HOCKEY TEAM PREPARES FOR CRACK AT UNION

Although Handicapped by Lack of Practice Due to Exams and Prom Captain Kaiser is Confident.

RETURN GAME HERE ON FEB. 23

The hockey squad will invade Schenectady this Saturday to conquer the Union seven on their home rink. There is very scant material on which to base a prediction as to the outcome of the game, although the odds at present seem to favor the Buff and Blue. Hamilton has exhibited almost unexpected skill and speed on the ice and has already defeated the crack R. P. I. team in the first game of the season. Williams defeated the Buff and Blue by a narrow margin in the second and most recent game.

This is the first year of intercollegiate hockey at Union and she is accordingly carrying a small schedule. The game Saturday is rendered doubly important through the fact that it comes at a time when the Union team will want exceedingly to win—Junior Prom. The Garnet can therefore be counted on to fight hard to gain a victory before such a crowd of spectators as will be on hand at that time.

Practice at Standstill

Practice on the Hill has been at a standstill for the last few days on account of the examinations and of Junior Prom. That is ''official'' practice.

A return game will be played on the Hamilton rink on February 23, the day on which Washington's birthday will be celebrated. A winter carnival is to be held at that time, and the hockey game will add just one more feature to the day.

—Theodore H. Parsons, ex-'22, is attending the Parsons School of Art in New York City.

—Clark H. Minor, '02, is general manager of the China Electric Company, of Shanghai, China.

—William A. Lathrop, '85, and Mabel C. Lathrop, are joint authors of a popular story, recently brought out by the Briton Publishing Company of New York City, entitled, ''The Man That Never Grew Up.''

ANNUAL SOPH TEA IS HUGE SUCCESS

Class of 1922 Entertains Guests on Hill for Junior Prom at Afternoon Affair in Chi Psi Lodge.

MANY NEW FEATURES

Yesterday afternoon, from two-thirty until five, a The Dansant was given at the Chi Psi Lodge by the Class of 1922.

Cars began to arrive at an early hour and soon a goodly number of guests were assembled. Promptly at two-thirty, Reynolds of Schenectady rounded up his ''jazz kings'' and the music began. From that time until five o'clock dancing was enjoyed by the ever-increasing crowd of ''Promites.''

Chi Psi House Attractive

The Lodge was decorated in an artistic manner with countless balloons of various hues. The pleasing effect was further carried out by an abundant use of pine and balsam boughs. Hanging from the walls in prominent positions were the shields of the various fraternities on the Hill. A large 1922 banner, suspended in the hallway, seemed to tell everyone who entered the door that it was the Sophomore's day.

Late in the afternoon refreshments were served in a very novel manner. Each guest received a small wooden box trimmed with the colors of the college, Buff and Blue. Upon the cover, in bold lettering, ''Hamilton, 1922'' stood out plainly. Within were found the refreshments, which consisted of a variety of dainties.

Mrs. Ferry Officiates

Mrs. Frederick C. Ferry officiated at pouring and was assisted by Mrs. Palmer. Other patronesses were: Mrs. Charles Rogers, Mrs. Thomas R. Proctor, Mrs. George Dunham, and the wives of the faculty.

Much credit is due to the committee in charge, which made the affair one of the best of its kind since the history of Proms began. W. C. Macey as chairman, aided by Thomas B. Pope, Charles T. Keane, and Wilbur Brandt, made this year's Sophomore Tea Dance an event of which the Class of 1922 may be justly proud.

SENIOR CLASS COMMITTEES

The Senior Class has selected the committees on Commencement. It has gotten a good early start so that much work can be done to make their Commencement a great success. Many alumni are expected back and it will be one of the largest attended commencements since the war. The following are those appointed:

General administration: Kennedy, chairman, Thorp, Couper.

Committee on Class Day: Riley, chairman, Gordon Schwarz, Gorman.

Committee on Gowns: Rosenthal, chairman, Foss, D'Amico.

Committee on Gift to College: Ritterbush, chairman, Barnett, Ives.

Committee on Senior Banquet: Calkins, chairman, Van Norden, Martin, Kneeland, Carleton Schwartz.